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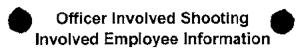
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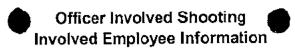


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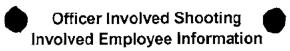
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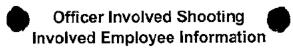
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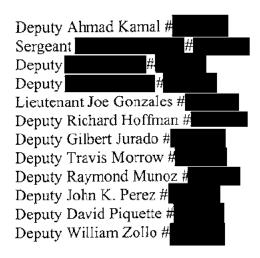
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On May 26, 2005, the facts of this case were presented to the Executive Force Review Committee. At the direction of the committee, follow-up interviews were conducted in order to obtain additional information regarding:

- ☐ Communications
- Planning
- ☐ Incident Command
- ☐ Controlled fire
- . Interviews were conducted with the following personnel:



IAB Note:

Sergeant Jack Mayer retired as of 06/01/05 and declined to make any further statements.

Deputy Ronald Licata is currently on medical leave and not available to be interviewed.

During the course of conducting follow-up interviews, it was determined that Deputy Ernie Burwell engaged in dialogue with the suspect during the incident. Due to the nature of the comments deputy Burwell was alleged to have made, he was contacted in order to schedule an interview. Deputy Burwell is currently off work on medical leave and was not available for an interview prior to the completion of this investigation.

SUBJECT INTERVIEW(S)

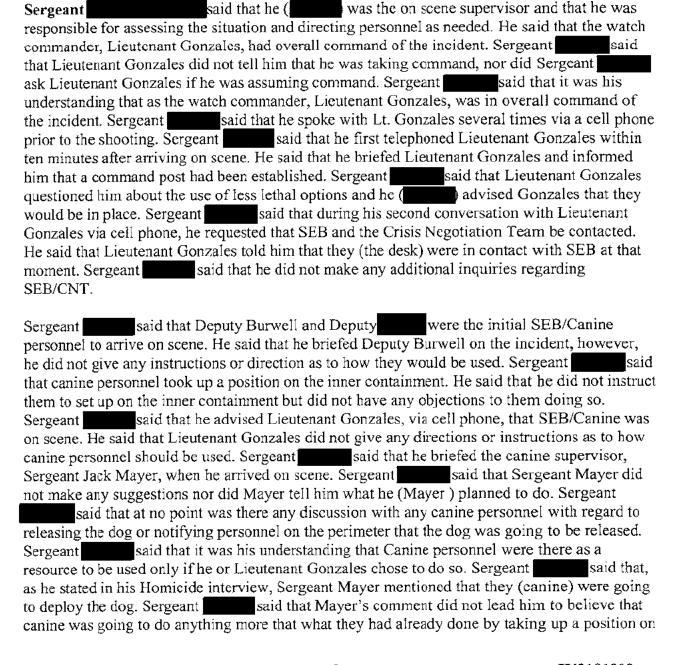
Lieutenant Joe Gonzales said he was the on-duty watch commander at Century station when the incident began and that he assumed the role of incident commander. Lieutenant Gonzales said that he did not specifically advise the on-scene supervisor, Sergeant that he was taking command. Lieutenant Gonzales believed that his roll as incident commander was inferred due to his position as the watch lieutenant and the fact that he responded to the command post. Additionally, Lieutenant Gonzales said that he further established his command of the incident by ensuring that the scene was properly contained, less lethal weapons were deployed, evacuations were conducted, designated shooters were identified, the incident was videotaped and an arrest team was designated. Lieutenant Gonzales said that this was accomplished during his initial conversation over a cellular telephone with Sergeant Lieutenant Gonzales said that he maintained contact with the supervisors on scene, Sergeant and Sergeant Cachiero, throughout the incident, via cellular telephone, and felt confident that things were being handled properly.

Lieutenant Gonzales said that given the scenario that unfolded he believed it was appropriate to have SEB's Special Weapons Team and Crisis Negotiations Team respond. Lieutenant Gonzales said, prior to leaving the station for the command post, he was advised by the desk (Deputy Barbosa) that SEB had been contacted and Barbosa asked him(Gonzales) if he wanted Canine to respond. Lieutenant Gonzales said he advised Barbosa that he wanted canine to respond and that he (Gonzales) assumed that the SEB desk would contact the Crisis Negotiations Team. Lieutenant Gonzales said that he did not specifically ask that SEB's special weapons team be requested nor did he specifically ask that the Crisis Negotiations Team be requested. Lieutenant Gonzales said that he did not follow-up to ensure that SEB/SWT and SEB/CNT were requested.

Lieutenant Gonzales said he learned that canine was at the scene from monitoring radio transmissions. He said that he did not give any specific instruction as to how he wanted to utilize canine, however, he did not want the dog released and had advised Sergeant and Sergeant Cachiero of that fact. Lieutenant Gonzales said that he was aware that canine was on the containment and no objections to their presence. He felt that the dog's presence might help to encourage the suspect to give up. Lieutenant Gonzales said that he did not speak with either Sergeant Mayer or Lieutenant Maxwell prior to the shooting.

Lieutenant Gonzales said that he was aware that two AR-15's had been deployed and felt that their use was appropriate given the environmental factors present at the scene.

Following the shooting, Lieutenant Gonzales responded to the scene of the incident. He said that he arrived on scene in 90 seconds after the shooting occurred. Lieutenant Gonzales said that paramedics were on scene when he arrived and had already pronounced the suspect dead.



the containment and being an available resource. Sergeant said that none of the SEB/Canine personnel advised him of their plan to release the dog, nor did Sergeant Mayer instruct him to notify his personnel that the dog was going to be released. Additionally, Sergeant said that he did not hear any announcements prior to the release of the dog. Sergeant said that there was no reason to release the dog and that after talking with Lieutenant Gonzales, he felt that the situation was such that they could wait for SEB's Special Weapons Team or Crisis Negotiation Team to arrive.

Sergeant said that following the shooting, it took approximately 45 seconds to a minute for medical personnel to get to the suspect. Sergeant said that paramedics had been staged and at the point on the video where the order is given to stop taping, paramedics were already on scene.

said that his initial role at the scene of the incident was to provide support and that Deputy Ernie Burwell was the handling canine unit. Deputy said that he did not talk with Sergeant regarding the release of the dog, nor did he hear Sergeant Mayer or Deputy Burwell speaking with Sergeant regarding the release of the dog. Deputy said that given normal operating procedure for canine personnel, he reasonably expected that tactics and a plan for canine deployment was being discussed with the patrol supervisor at the scene. Deputy said that he had no first hand knowledge of any discussions between canine personnel and Sergeant regarding tactics or deployment of the dog. However, he reasonably expected that the canine supervisor, Sergeant Mayer and the handling canine unit, Deputy Burwell, were handling those matters.

Sergeant Jack Mayer. Deputy said his understanding was that they were doing so at the direction of their Lieutenant, Patrick Maxwell. He said that Sergeant Mayer told him that Lieutenant Maxwell ordered them to do a directed bite. Deputy said that he reasonably expected that Sergeant Mayer had advised everyone of the plan. Deputy said that he paused, after Sergeant Mayer order him to release the dog, in order to give a final warning that the dog was going to be released. Deputy said that the warning was not required, however, he wanted to give the suspect a final opportunity to surrender and to let everyone know the dog was going to be released, he would not have released his dog. Deputy said that, at the moment at which he released the dog, there was no specific action taken by the suspect that would have compelled him to release the dog. He said, absent the order, he would

not have sent his dog at that point.

Deputy Kamal Ahmad was a designated shooter and was armed with an AR-15 rifle. He said that he fired at least five or six rounds and that he used controlled fire in doing so. Deputy Ahmad said that he did not see the handler release the dog because he was focused on the suspect. He said that he did not know the dog was going to be released, nor was he informed by anyone that the dog was going to be released. Deputy Ahmad said that he was aware of the dog's presence because he heard it barking.

Deputy said that he discharged five rounds from his 9mm Beretta. He said that he used controlled fire and that he did not hear anyone's rounds going off prior to discharging his weapon. Deputy said that he spoke with canine personnel when they arrived on scene. He said that he gave them a briefing on what had transpired, however, there was no discussion regarding the release of the dog or how canine would deploy. Deputy said that at no point was he advised that canine was going to release the dog.

Deputy Richard Hoffman said that he fired three rounds from his 9mm Beretta and that he did not hear rounds being fired before he fired his weapon. Deputy Hoffman said that canine personnel were on scene and he could hear the dog barking. Deputy Hoffman said that he did not receive any instructions on what do when the dog was released nor was he advised that the dog was going to be released.

Deputy Gilbert Jurado said that he fired three rounds from his 9mm Beretta. He said that he fired two quick rounds, paused, and then fired a third round. Deputy Jurado said that he did not know that dog was going to be released, nor did he receive any instructions regarding the release of the dog.

Deputy Travis Morrow was aware that canine personnel were on scene and could hear the dog barking. He said that he was not advised and did not know that the dog was going to be released.

Deputy Raymond Munoz said that he did not know that the dog was going to be released and that he did not hear any announcements warning that the dog was being released.

Deputy John Perez said that he fired eight to ten continuous rounds from an AR-15. He said that he fired the rounds rapidly and did not pause between rounds. Deputy Perez said that he was not advised and did not know that the dog was going to be released.

Deputy David Piquette said that he recalls firing approximately eight rounds from his 9mm

Beretta and that he paused twice to assess the threat. He said that he paused after firing a three round volley and again after firing a second three round volley. He said that he fired several additional rounds after the second pause. Deputy Piquette said that he was not advised and did not know that the dog was going to be released.

Deputy William Zollo said that he fired approximately eight rounds from his 9mm Beretta. He said that he fired four initial rounds, and then four additional rounds after assesseing that the suspect was still a threat. Deputy Zollo said that he did not know the dog was being released and did not hear any announcements that the dog was being released.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU INVESTIGATIVE NARRATIVE DEPUTY INVOLVED SHOOTING-SUSPECT DECEASED IV#2101999, SH#2099172

William Zollo II, Deputy, #

AUGUST 24, 2003, SUNDAY DATE: **1934 HOURS** TIME: EAST 126TH STREET, LOS ANGELES LOCATION: , Century Station Kamal Ahmad, Deputy, # Subjects: Century Station Sergeant,# Century Station Deputy, # Special Enforcement Bureau Deputy, # Century Station Joe Gonzalez, Lieutenant, # Richard Hoffman, Deputy, # Century Station Century Station Gilbert Jurado, Deputy, # , Century Station Ronald Licata, Deputy, # Special Enforcement Bureau John Mayer, Sergeant, # , Century Station Travis Morrow, Deputy, # , Century Station Raymond Munoz, Deputy, # Century Station John Perez, Deputy, # Century Station David Piquette, Deputy, #

On August 24, 2003, I, Sergeant John Cleary, along with Lieutenant Bennett Seno and Sergeant David Stunson, went to East 126th Street, Los Angeles to investigate the circumstances surrounding a deputy involved shooting where the suspect was killed. I contacted the primary investigators from Homicide Bureau, Lieutenant Larry Lincoln, Detective Eddie Brown and Detective Rick Graves. Through the Homicide investigators, I received copies of all reports, photos, video and, audio recordings relating to the shooting (See Homicide Book in Exhibit A).

Century Station

As a result of an Executive Shooting Review, this shooting review was made into an administrative investigation. Subjects of the investigation were identified. All the subjects were interviewed except Deputy Ronald Licata. Deputy Licata continues to be off with a long-term illness and, is unable to interview. Witness Deputy Ernest Burwell was also off injured during the investigation and was not able to be interviewed as well. Deputy Licata's and Deputy Burwell's statements are taken from their interview with Homicide detectives.

again attempted to open the f position on the front porch ar anyone who attempted to take	ront door. When this failed, Suspect Brunston took up a barricade and told Deputies and Zollo that he was armed and would shoot him into custody.			
Deputies and Zollo requested Code-3 assistance. A containment was set up and the command of the incident was assumed by Sergeant				
Negotiations with the Suspect Brunston began and, over the next thirty minutes, Suspect Brunston repeatedly told deputies that he was armed with a handgun and would shoot anyone who attempted to take him into custody. Further negotiations failed and a decision was made to release a police service dog to attempt to apprehend the suspect. All the deputies present who fired a weapon said at the time the dog was released they were not informed that the K9 was about to be deployed.				
When the dog was released, Suspect Brunston stood up and drew his right hand from his waist band. In his hand he was holding a dark colored object. He moved his right arm across his body, tossing the object away. Fearing for their safety, ten deputies opened fire, shooting Suspect Brunston numerous times. Suspect Brunston was pronounced dead at the scene. The dark colored object Suspect Brunston was holding was found to be a black rubber sandal.				
Century Station personnel captape (Exhibit C). Scientific stollowing breakdown:	ptured approximately twenty-two minutes of the incident on video Services Bureau recovered the firearms evidence and issued the Thirty-six expended 9mm pistol cartridge casings Twenty-one expended .223 rifle cartridge casings Two expended 12 Gauge shotgun shells			
INVOLVED EMPLOYEES	<u>3</u> <u>:</u>			
Kamal Ahmad, Deputy, #	, is a nine year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Sergeant, #	, is an eighteen year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Deputy, #	, is a nine year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Deputy, #	is a thirteen year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			

Joe Gonzalez, Lieutenant, # is a twenty seven year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Richard Hoffman, Deputy, # is a six year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Gilbert Jurado, Deputy, # , is a twelve year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Ronald Licata, Deputy, # . is a twelve year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
John Mayer, Sergeant, #, is a twenty three year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Travis Morrow, Deputy, #, is a fourteen year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
Raymond Munoz, Deputy, # , is an eight year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
John Perez, Deputy, # , is a fourteen year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
David Piquette, Deputy, #, is a seven year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
William Zollo II, Deputy, # , is a seven year veteran of the Sheriff's Department.			
WITNESS STATEMENTS:			
Licutenant Patrick Maxwell was the commander of the Canine Services Detail at Special Enforcement Bureau. A transcription of his statement is included in this case file.			
Deputy Ernest Burwell			
Deputy Burwell told Homicide detectives that he went to the location in response to radio traffic indicating that Century Station personnel were detaining a man with a gun. He went to the location and contacted the incident commander, Sergeant Deputy Burwell said Sergeant made the decision to use Deputy Burwell's K9, Oscar, P#92, as a "less lethal" option to subdue the suspect. Deputy Burwell was also armed with a M26 Taser as another "less lethal" option.			

Deputy Burwell said that the suspect was partially concealed on a porch. The suspect's right hand was positioned across his body and in the waistband of his pants. The suspect repeatedly told the Sheriff's personnel at the scene that he was armed with a handgun and, would shoot anyone who tried to send a dog to apprehend him.

Deputy Burwell said that his supervisor, Sergeant John Mayer, arrived at the scene. Sergeant Mayer had a telephone conversation with Lieutenant Patrick Maxwell concerning the possible deployment of a K9 at the scene. After speaking with Lieutenant Maxwell, Sergeant Mayer told Deputy Burwell that he was going to substitute Deputy and his K9, Marko, for Deputy Burwell and his police service dog.

Deputy Burwell said he took Oscar back to his radio car and put the dog inside. He then took up a position near his radio car. He saw Deputy dog being released toward the suspect. The dog leapt toward the suspect. As this happened, Deputy Burwell saw flashes and heard the sound of gunfire. He saw the K9 go down to the ground. From his vantage point, he could not see the suspect.

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Deputy
Deputy told Homicide detectives that he was given a video camera by Sergeant Cacheiro. He made his way down the west side of the location and set the video camera on a chair. He watched as Sergeant spoke with the suspect and heard the suspect state that he would shoot the police dog if it was released and shoot a deputy as well.
Deputy said he saw the K9 being brought up and knew it was about to be deployed. Fearing the suspect would start shooting, he took cover behind a nearby tree. He saw the K9 being released. As the dog approached, the suspect stood up, pulled a black item from his waistband and tossed the object away. As he did this, Deputy heard the sound of gunfire. He saw both the suspect and the K9 go down as a result of gunfire. In that he was focused on the suspect, he did not see who had fired.
Deputy Ronald Daily
Deputy arrived at the location and armed himself with an ARWEN gun. He took up a position on the west side of the location near Deputy. He said he did not attempt to use the ARWEN because of the possibility of the suspect being able to shoot him if he missed.
Deputy Daily's account of the suspect's actions and the shooting is the same as Deputy
Deputy
As Deputy and and his partner, drove to the location to assist, they heard Deputy and and Zollo request a unit with an AR 15 and a stun bag shot gun. He said he arrived at the location,

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anyone who tri	ed to take him into custody	•		
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Deputy Michael Yokum

Deputy Yokum and his partner arrived at the location and were given the task of trying to find the suspect's They drove to two locations and contacted people at the location. They were unable to locate Ms. They are the total and returned to the scene. Deputy Yokum armed himself with and M26 Taser and then took up a position of cover and began communicating situation updates with Century Station desk via his radio. While he was doing this the shooting took place. He looked up and saw the suspect was down. He immediately requested paramedics respond to the location.

Sergeant Peter Cacheiro

Sergeant Cacheiro said he responded to the location and began communicating with the suspect, asking him to give up. The suspect refused. Sergeant Cacheiro let Deputies and Zollo continue communicating with the suspect while he called the watch commander, Lieutenant Gonzales, and briefed him as to what the situation was. Sergeant Cacheiro asked that Special Enforcement Bureau and Crises Negotiation Team be notified. He also told Lieutenant that two AR-15 rifles had been deployed as well as an ARWEN gun and requested help from Compton Station to assist with crowd control. Sergeant Cacheiro was on the telephone when the shooting occurred and did not witness it.

Deputy Ruben Arrieta

Deputy Arrieta was on a containment position at the location when Sergeant Arriaga ordered him to withdraw. He did this and, took up a position behind a van at the rear of the scene. Shortly after taking up his new position, the shooting took place. He did not see the shooting.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE STATEMENT:

Deputy Ronald Licata

Deputy Licata's statement was taken from his interview with Homicide detectives as he is off work with a long term illness.

Deputy Licata's description of the scene is the same as the other witness and subject descriptions. He said that from the suspect's actions and statements, he was convinced the

suspect was armed and would kill a deputy if given the chance. He was aware from what was going on around him that there were efforts to locate the suspect's relatives and his

At the time the K9 was released, he was not aware that the dog had been deployed. He saw the suspect pull his right hand from his waistband and was sure the suspect was pulling out a gun. He fired his Beretta pistol at the suspect and saw him go down to the ground. He said he had no idea that he had fired thirteen rounds at the suspect until his firearm was inventoried by detectives after the shooting.

Deputy Licata has no recollection of any other deputies shooting at the suspect. He said he saw the suspect pointing what he thought to be a firearm at him and then going to the ground to what looked to him like he was trying to take cover from the gunfire.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

DATE: SEPTEMBER 3, 2003

FILE NO.: 003-81081-2138-013

ISSUED

ACTIVE/INVESTIGATION MADE/

EVIDENCE HELD/ VICTIMS

INTERVIEWED/ WITNESSES INTERVIEWED/ CORONER'S

CASE NUMBER 2003-06405

ACTION:

C: THREATENING AN OFFICER, 69 P.C./

RESISTING ARREST, 148(a)(1) P.C./ PERSON

DEAD

V: (SEE ATTACHED LIST BELOW)

D: 08-24-2003, SUNDAY AT 1934 HOURS

L: EAST 126 STREET, LOS ANGELES

S: BRUNSTON, DEONDRE CAREASE MB/23

DOB: 11-08-1979

BLK HAIR, BRN EYES, 6'01', 170 POUNDS

CII

CDL

FBI

SS CDC (DECEASED)

V #1: ZOLLO, WILLIAM MW/36

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DEPUTY SHERIFF, EMP.#

V #2:

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DEPUTY SHERIFF, EMP. #

WITNESSES:

W #1:

MH/

Civilian Witness

W #2:

FH/

Civilian Witness

W #3:

FH/
Civilian Witness

W #4:

FH/

Civilian Witness

W #5:

MH/

Civilian Witness

W #6:

MH/

Civilian Witness

W #7:

Deputy Ernest Burwell, Employee #
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Control Enterent Property (C.E.R.) K.O.R.

Special Enforcement Bureau (S.E.B.) K-9 Detail

W #8:

Deputy , Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Special Enforcement Bureau (S.E.B.) K-9 Detail

W #9:

Deputy Ruben Arrieta, Employee #



Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Century Sheriff's Station

w #10: Deputy Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Century Sheriff's Station

W #11: Deputy Ronald Daily, Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Century Sheriff's Station

W #12: Deputy David Piquette, Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Century Sheriff's Station

w #13: Deputy Gilbert Jurado, Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Century Sheriff's Station

W #14: Deputy Raymond Munoz, Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Century Sheriff's Station

W #15: Sergeant Jack Mayer, Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Special Enforcement Bureau

W #16: Deputy . Employee #

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Century Sheriff's Station

W #1 7 :	Deputy Michael Yokum, Employee # Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Century Sheriff's Station
W #18:	Sergeant Richard Hiles, Employee # Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Century Sheriff's Station
W #19:	Sergeant Peter Cachero, Employee # Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Century Sheriff's Station

<u>SUMMAR</u>	<u>Y</u>
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	-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed Witness in the field. Present interview were Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau and D.A. or The interview was audio recorded.
month ago and childr based on When Ser be under	He moved into the house approximately one of and could not remember the address when asked. He resides there with his wife en. That had been detained by the deputies at the scene prior to the interview, the fact that he had been drinking and his behavior was agitated and aggressive. The spoke with the influence of alcohol. He needed to be focused by Sergeant Loman during the to avoid him going off on tangents or dwelling on issues discussed. He was

however, conversational and was able to discuss his observations in detail. The following is a summary of that interview; heard a disturbance outside the front of his house. He was not sure of the time. He stepped outside to look at the commotion and while doing so, saw a male black individual on his front porch. also noticed a police officer present. The man told the police he had tried to talk to the man, but the man told to back away or he would use his a gun. gun on him too. said he never actually saw a gun, but the man was reaching toward his waistband after saying he had a gun. demonstrated what he saw by placing his right arm across his body and reaching for the left side of his waist. said the officer was scared, because the man was talking "crazy" to the officer. was worried for the officer's safety and said the officer was by himself. The officer told the man to drop the gun several times and the man did not cooperate. was also worried about his family. As more deputies arrived, his and were escorted out of the house via the rear yard. The officers took his to stay with remained and continued to talk to the man and to the police. It was his neighbors. opinion that he was helping the officers. However, because he had been drinking, more of a hindrance than a help. For his safety, the deputies escorted him away from the scene. He argued with the officers and was placed in the back seat of a patrol car to calm down. did not witness the shooting incident. On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed Witness at her residence. Present during the interview were Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau and D.A. Investigator The interview was conducted in Spanish by Investigator The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview; They live directly of where the resides with her and two shooting incident occurred. Investigators could see the suspect's body from the front porch of the residence, but the body was not clearly visible due to parked cars along the west fence line and trees between the two properties. was sitting on her front porch with her At the time of the incident, They saw a suspicious person in their neighbor's yard and the police came with their guns drawn. was not sure of the time, but described it was dark outside and the



officers had their flashlights illuminating the man. and her family went inside of the

house and laid down on the livingroom floor. She heard the police telling the man to put the gun down and also told him they were going to send in a dog. She heard the young man reply that he didn't care and he was not going to do what they said. The man did not want to surrender.

The incident went on for quite a while. The officers were repeating several times for the man to cooperate. She did not understand the exact words because she does not speak very good English, but was able to interpret the officer's concern by the tone of their voices. then heard several gunshots at one time. The gunshots were short in duration. She did not see the actual shooting and said she had her head down on the floor throughout most of the incident.

On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed **Witness** at her residence. Present during the interview were Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau and D.A. Investigator The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

was watching T.V. at approximately 7:00 P.M. when she heard a commotion outside. She went out to the front porch to see what was going on and saw the police there with their guns drawn and their lights focused on a man. She could not see the man clearly, but thought he was a "black man." The police were yelling at the man, telling him to give up. He was not cooperating with the officers. The police dogs were barking at the man, and he threatened the police by saying if they let the dogs loose, there was going to be some "violence." She heard the man asking to speak with his pregnant.

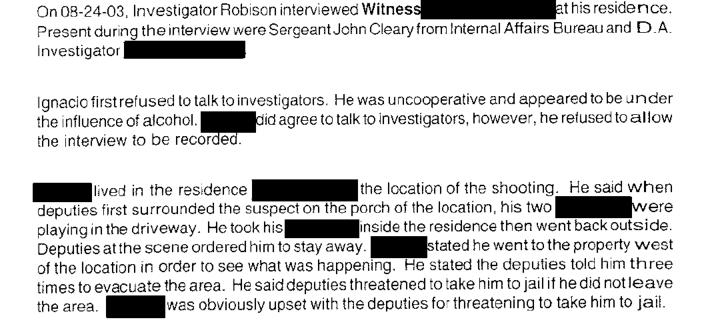
did not go outside to look, she only heard small parts of the incident. She said there was a police helicopter which flew over the area. She did not know why the man was talking back to the officers and not cooperating. She said the incident went on for a long time and she estimated it took approximately two hours. At the end of the incident, she heard several gunshots at once. She did not see the shooting.

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lives at home with her was. She was tending to her inside, when she heard a commotion outside. Went to the front door and heard her tell her to get inside of the house because there were guns. It looked out of the front window and saw officers standing outside. More officers arrived in number and there was a helicopter flying above. Saw one of the officers video taping the incident.
The police were yelling at a man and he was yelling back. did not see the man because her view was blocked by a tree. He was standing by a wall outside of her neighbor's house. He was speaking English and was yelling louder than the officers. She heard the man ask to see his She said the man did not cooperate with the police. He told the police if the dogs got close there would be some violence and that if they bit him he would shoot.
had difficulty hearing what the officers were saying because the helicopter was loud. did not see the man with a gun, but heard the officers telling the man several times to drop the gun. Said the man said he would shoot the officers and she believed he was armed with a gun. The man was clearly not cooperating with the officers. The incident lasted for approximately one hour. Just prior to the shooting, the officers threatened to send in the dogs. The man said he would shoot if the officers sent the dogs. Saw part of the shooting. She described a lot of gunshots at one time.
She indicated she did not know what brought the man to her neighbor's house and was unaware of any events that transpired prior to the standoff.
On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed Witness At her residence. Present during the interview were Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau and D.A. Investigator The interview was conducted in Spanish by Investigator Beltran. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview
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was unable to see the suspect.



On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed **Deputy Ernest Burwell** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau. Deputy Burwell is assigned to the Special Enforcement Bureau (S.E.B.), as a K-9 dog handler, unit 240 K-9 4, PM shift. His partner was Oscar, #P92.

When asked if he witnessed the shooting he said, no, he was walking northbound in the driveway west of the location and heard the shots fired. From his position in the driveway he

stated the suspect did not have anything in his hands and the deputies just shot him.

Deputy Burwell was monitoring the radio traffic at S.E.B. Headquarters, when he heard a call for assistance by a Century Station deputy detaining a man with a gun. The radio traffic indicated the man was also a possible murder suspect and he was on the front porch of a house. He responded to the location which was on 126th Street, between Mona Street and Willowbrook Avenue with his K-9. When he arrived, the area was contained and a lot of deputies were on scene. He contacted the incident commander, who decided to use Deputy Burwell's K-9 as less than lethal force and as a tool to get the suspect to surrender. Deputy Burwell indicated he was also armed with a "taser gun" as another means of deploying less than lethal force. However, the distance to the suspect was just beyond the threshold of the taser gun.

Deputy Burwell took a position at the west side of the containment. From his position he saw the suspect who was on the porch. The porch had a couple of steps and a small retaining wall around it. The suspect revealed only part of his body and the other part remained hidden behind the wall. The suspect only exposed one hand and the other hand was kept from view and toward his waistband area. He described the suspect as a male black individual wearing dark pants.

Deputy Burwell engaged in conversation with the suspect. He told the suspect that he had a dog and the dog would bite him if he didn't give up. The suspect told Deputy Burwell he had a gun and would shoot the dog and kill him if the dog was sent. Deputy Burwell told the suspect he would back up with the dog if he would surrender. Deputy Burwell then backed away. The suspect did not surrender.

At this time, his supervisor, Sergeant Jack Mayer arrived on scene. Deputy Burwell conveyed the situation to Sergeant Mayer who in turn contacted Lieutenant Maxwell from S.E.B. to get authorization to deploy the dog. After confirming the situation at hand, Lt. Maxwell approved the deployment of the dog. Sergeant Mayer further consulted with the watch commander on scene, who further stated he tried to talk to the suspect. The suspect refused to cooperate and surrender to his orders.

Sergeant Mayer then asked for Deputy Burwell to stand down with his dog and use another dog which is handled by Deputy also from S.E.B. K-9. Deputy then took his dog out of the car and Deputy Burwell secured his dog and took a position near his patrol car. While doing so, Deputy Burwell saw Deputy dog deploy toward the suspect. As the dog leaped in the air toward the suspect, he heard and saw several gunshots. The dog blocked his view of the suspect and he watched the dog go down during the gunfire. He did not see who shot and the dog blocked his view of the suspect. After the shooting, Deputy Burwell assisted in getting Deputy dog transported to the animal hospital. However, the dog was killed during the gunfire. Deputy Burwell was wearing his duty uniform and his entry vest. On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed Deputy at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

Deputy is assigned to S.E.B. as a K-9 deputy. He was working unit 240 K-9 #5, on the PM shift from His partner was Marco, P#80. Deputy was informed to the location based on a request via the radio for a K-9 deputy. Deputy was informed a suspect was hiding behind a wall on the front porch of a residence in Willowbrook and it was believed he was armed with a gun. Deputy Burwell also responded to the location with his K-9.

Deputy Burwell arrived on scene first and had his K-9 out of the vehicle. Deputy kept his dog in his patrol car at this time. They contacted the patrol deputies on scene and approached the containment area. Deputy saw the suspect was a male black and he had barricaded himself behind a small retaining wall on the front porch of the location.

The suspect was ranting and raving at the deputies, saying he was on parole, he had a gun and was not going to be taken alive. He said the only way the deputies were going to get him out of there was via an ambulance. Deputies Burwell and was took the place of a couple

The dialogue went back and forth between the Sergeant on scene and the suspect. The suspect repeated that he had a gun and would use it. The Sergeant attempted several times to get the suspect to show the gun and drop it. The suspect refused. Deputy saw part of the suspect's head and body were exposed. The rest of the suspect's body was covered by the wall. One of his arms was concealed behind the wall.

of deputies on the containment in case the dog needed to be deployed.

The suspect kept saying he was wanted for murder in Las Vegas and he wasn't going back to prison. He said he had a gun with thirteen bullets. He said he would take one of the deputies out. Deputy believed one of the deputies was filming the incident.

Deputy contacted Sgt. Arriaga and asked if the Crises Negotiations Team was responding. The Sergeant advised the negotiators were notified and were responding. He then contacted Lieutenant Maxwell (K-9 Lieutenant) via his cell phone and discussed the circumstances with him. Deputy advised Lieutenant Maxwell the suspect was wanted for a battery or an assault with a deadly weapon. He said the situation escalated and the suspect barricaded himself on the front porch of the location. He advised Lt. Maxwell the suspect said he had a gun and he was not going to be taken alive.

Deputy then gave the telephone to Sergeant Arriaga, the incident commander, so they could discuss the role and possible deployment of the dogs to Lt. Maxwell. Sergeant

further briefed Lieutenant Maxwell on the history of the incident. Sergeant then handed the telephone back to Deputy and Lieutenant Maxwell authorized less tethal force with a directed employment of the K-9 at the suspect.
Sergeant Mayer then arrived on scene. Sergeant Mayer was briefed by Deputy and also spoke to Lieutenant Maxwell via the cell phone where he received further instructions about the possibility of deploying the K-9. At this time, Sergeant Mayer asked Deputy Burwell to stand down with his dog and asked Deputy to deploy his dog. Deputy went to his car and took out his dog, Oscar.
Deputy relieved Deputy Burwell from his position, who went back to his car to put his dog away. Deputy took a post behind a van, against the fence line (west side of the property), directly in front of the suspect. Deputy gave verbal warnings to the suspect that the dog was going to be used against him and would be used to take him down. Deputy did so approximately five or six times. The suspect yelled he was going to shoot the dog if Deputy was going to let him go. Sergeant Mayer then told Deputy to let the dog loose. Deputy gave the apprehension command to his dog and let him loose. The dog advanced toward the suspect. The dog was approximately 15-20 feet away from the suspect when he was turned loose.
As the dog closed in on the suspect, the suspect stood up. The suspect pulled a silver object out of his waistband and was raising the object toward the deputies. Deputy was sure this object was gun. At this point, the dog was closing in on the suspect and was up on his hind quarters. At this time, several deputies started to shoot at the suspect. The suspect tossed the gun forward as the deputies fired. The suspect dropped backwards to the ground and fell on the porch. He was lying on his back. The dog was shot while jumping and fell.
The gunfire stopped and the deputies waited before going in. Once the deputies went in and made the area safe, Deputy went in to collect his dog. He went with his dog to the animal hospital and did not go back to the scene. Deputy said his dog had a bullet wound to his head and another wound to one of his legs.
Deputy said he was focused on his dog and did not see who shot at the suspect.
Deputy was wearing his duty uniform and an entry vest.



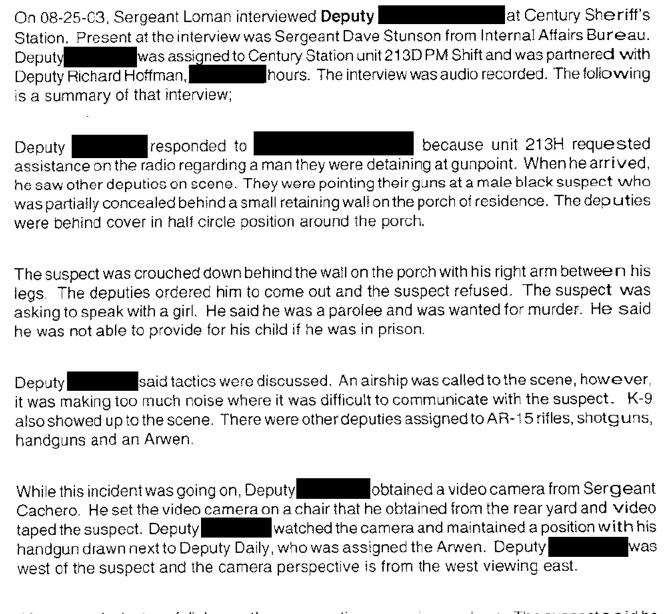
On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed **Deputy Ruben Arrieta** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bure au. Deputy Arrieta was assigned to Century Station unit 213F EM Shift and was partnered with Deputy Gilbert Jurado, hours. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

Deputy Arrieta responded to 126th Street between Mona Street and Willowbrook Avenue pursuant to a radio request for assistance regarding Unit 213H detaining a man with a gun. When he arrived, Deputy Arrieta saw deputies to the left of a van at the west side of the property. He saw the suspect kneeling and crouched down behind a small retaining wall on the front porch. Although the suspect was exposed, he was clearly using the wall for cover. He had one of his hands concealed between his legs. Deputy Arrieta took a tactical position behind the van and was lying in a prone position on the ground.

The suspect gave them some telephone numbers and Deputy Arrieta said someone tried to reach the people on behalf of the suspect. While this was going on, Deputy Arrieta maintained his position. After a period of time he was told by his Sergeant to withdraw his position. While doing so, he moved back and took a position behind another van. While moving back, Deputy Arrieta saw a K-9 officer approach near where he was originally positioned. At this time he heard gunfire. Deputy Arrieta turned around and saw the dog and suspect down on the ground. He did not see the shooting.

Deputy Arrieta was tasked with going in to assess the suspect and dog. He was on the approach team. Deputy Arrieta handcuffed the suspect for officer safety and to make it safe for the paramedics to enter the scene and treat the suspect. Deputy Arrieta said both the dog and suspect were down.

Deputy Arrieta was wearing his duty uniform.



After several minutes of dialogue, the conversation was going nowhere. The suspect said he was a gangster and not going back to prison. He said he had a gun and he was going to shoot at the deputies. A K-9 unit was set up and started to bark. This agitated the suspect. The suspect then articulately said that he had a gun, he didn't want to hurt the dog, but would shoot the dog if the dog approached him. The K-9 deputy said they had two dogs and would use both. The suspect said he had thirteen rounds in his gun and would not only take out the dogs, but would take out a deputy.

Deputy moved his position behind a big tree, because he knew they were going to deploy the dog. While this happened, the suspect was yelling "Come with it, come with it, I'm going to kill your dog." He had his hand to his side as if he had a gun. The dog then was released. Just before the dog reached the suspect, he stood up and pulled out a black item. Simultaneously deputies started shooting at the suspect. The suspect threw the black object. The gunfire knocked down the dog and the suspect. Deputy then retrieved the video camera and gave the tape to Sergeant

Deputy was focused on the suspect and dog and did not see who shot. He said he thought the black object was a gun.

Deputy was wearing his duty uniform.

On 08-25-03, Sergeant Loman interviewed **Deputy Ronald Daily** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant Dave Stunson from Internal Affairs Bureau. Deputy Daily was assigned to Century Station unit 214E EM Shift and was partnered with Deputy Michael Yokum, hours. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

Deputy Daily was finishing up a detail at Athens Park, when he heard radio traffic where in a unit requested assistance because they were having difficulty with a family disturbance call. The call then came out on the radio that the unit was detaining a man with a gun at 126th Street. Deputy Daily and his partner responded.

When he arrived, he saw the suspect crouched down behind a decorative wall on the front porch. The suspect was using the wall to cover himself as the deputies were trying to communicate with him. Deputy Daily obtained an Arwen gun (less than lethal) from the Sergeant's car and took a position on a driveway behind a chain link fence west of the suspect. Deputy Daily had a position where he could shoot the Arwen if it was decided to be employed. Deputy set up a video camera next to where Deputy Daily was standing. Deputy Daily held a position behind a retaining wall and monitored the incident from the camera's flip view screen. He also could shoot the Arwen through a hole in the fence if needed.

While maintaining his position. Deputy Daily said he was approximately fifteen feet from the suspect. During the standoff, Sergeant attempted to talk to the suspect and get him to surrender. The suspect did not cooperate and had told the deputies several times he had



a gun. He said he wasn't going back to prison and he would rather die. K-9 deputies were on scene and said they were going to send the dog. They told him if he put the gun down, came out and lied down on the ground he wouldn't get hurt. The suspect said if they sent the dog or shoot bean bags at him, he would shoot. The K-9 deputy responded that they had two dogs and would send in both. The suspect responded and said he had thirteen rounds in his gun and would shoot both dogs and then shoot a deputy.

Based on the suspects statements and the fact he was always crouched down and concealed his right hand near his waist. Deputy Daily said he thought the suspect definitely had a gun. Deputy Daily said he had a clear shot at the suspect with his Arwen, but the threat of the gun was a greater risk. Sergeant maintained constant dialogue with the suspect as did the K-9 deputies. The suspect never cooperated.

Deputy Daily heard the K-9 deputy send his dog toward the suspect. From his position, Deputy Daily could only see the deputies to the south. He saw the deputies fire at the suspect. Since Deputy Daily had a less than lethal weapon, he could not assist the situation. He also didn't want to get hit by a ricochet bullet. He pulled back away from area to take a safer position. Deputy Daily said the shooting lasted no more than four of five seconds.

After the shooting, Deputy Daily saw the deputies approach the suspect with a shield. He saw the dog was shot in the head and the suspect was down.

Deputy Daily was wearing his duty uniform.

On 08-25-03, Investigators Loman and Robison interviewed **Deputy David Piquette** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Attorney Elizabeth Gibbons from ALADS. Deputy Piquette was assigned to Century Station unit 212E PM Shift, a one man car, and was hours. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview.

Deputy Piquette responded to the assistance request from unit 213H at ______ 126th Street. The request was because they were detaining a suspect with a gun. Upon his arrival he took a position to the west of the suspect. He stood behind the cars, between the chain link fence and the suspect. The cars were facing north and south and he was on the west side of the vehicles. Deputy Piquette was approximately fifteen to twenty feet away from the suspect. Deputy Perez was to his right and Deputy Jurado was to his left.

Deputy Piquette described the suspect as a male black, in his twenties, thin build, dark pants and a white shirt. The suspect was on the porch of the location and was behind a two-foot partition similar to a retaining wall. Deputy Piquette could see the right side of the suspect who had his hand tucked under his waist. The suspect was partially covered by the wall as viewed by the deputies to the south of his position. The suspect flinched several times with his right hand as if he was going to pull out a gun. Deputy Piquette believed the suspect had a gun and was going to shoot it at them.

Deputies were having a dialogue with the suspect, telling him to give up peacefully, to show his hands and to come out. The suspect shouted out some telephone numbers and told the deputies to call his He refused to come out and at no time cooperated. Patrol units were sent to follow up on the information given by the suspect to try and end the standoff peacefully. Deputy Piquette said the dialogue went on for approximately forty minutes.

The suspect maintained he had a gun, and repeatedly said he would not give up. He said he wasn't going back to prison. Many times during the standoff, Deputy Piquette restrained from firing because the suspect kept rising and threatening to take his right hand which was concealing the weapon. During the incident, K-9 deputies arrived on scene. After dialogue with the K-9 deputy, the threats continued by the suspect. He threatened to shoot the dog and any deputy that approached.

Just prior to shooting, the dog was deployed on the suspect. As the dog approached the suspect, he stood up and pulled a silver object out of his waistband and was bringing it up toward the deputies to the south. The suspect's body was moving toward the west evidenced by the right to left turning motion. Deputy Piquette believed the silver object was a gun. Deputy Piquette was standing over the roof a car and in fear for his life and the lives of his fellow deputies, he fired his duty weapon at the suspect. Deputy Piquette believed he fired approximately eight rounds. He did not reload his weapon and after the shooting was over, he holstered his weapon.

Deputy Piquette carries an L.A. County issued Beretta model 92F with fifteen rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber. Upon inspection of the weapon it contained one round in the chamber and five rounds in the magazine. Which accounted for ten rounds fired.

Deputy Piquette carries four extra magazines. All were full with fifteen bullets. He also carries a Smith and Wesson model #640 back up gun. This gun is a five-shot revolver and was loaded with five .38 caliber rounds.

Deputy Piquette was wearing his class A uniform, with badge, and gun belt clearly displayed.

On 08-25-03, Investigators Loman and Robison interviewed **Deputy Raymond Munoz** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Attorney Elizabeth Gibbons from ALADS. Deputy Munoz was assigned to Century Station unit 212E3 PM Shift, a one man car, and was hours.

While driving in his patrol car, Deputy Munoz heard a fellow patrol unit announce over the radio that he needed assistance on 126th Street and was detaining an armed suspect at gunpoint. The call further stated that patrol units were needed to respond quickly because the suspect was uncooperative. Deputy Munoz was a short distance away and responded. Upon his arrival, he retrieved his department shotgun from the shotgun rack inside his patrol car and took a position next to a van. The van was on the west side of the property and was facing north.

From his position, Deputy Munoz could see the suspect on the front porch of the residence. He was partially hidden behind a small wall on the porch. The right side of the suspect's body was exposed and the left side of his body was concealed behind the wall. The suspect was initially standing, but as the incident continued he took a kneeling position. Deputy Zollo talked to the suspect trying to calm him down. The suspect said he didn't care if he was killed and he would try to kill a deputy. He told the deputies he was wanted for murder and had been to prison before. He said he was wanted for the last two years and would rather die than go jail. The suspect wanted to speak to his pregnant girlfriend. He said that if she did not show up and tell him to give up, he was going to die tonight.

This conversation continued for quite some time. There were attempts to contact the girlfriend and to continue to talk him into surrendering. The suspect gave two phone numbers and possibly a couple of different locations to check. These locations and numbers were checked. The suspect never cooperated and further threatened he would kill a deputy.

At one point, a K-9 deputy arrived and took Deputy Munoz' position. He moved to another position behind a different van. He was west and toward the front of the van. The suspect said he was a shooter, had been through it all, he was getting tired and did not know how much longer he would put up with this. During the entire time, the suspect's right hand was at his waistband and was concealed. Parts of his body emerged from behind the wall and never once did his right hand emerge from behind the wall.

The suspect told the K-9 handler he had thirteen shots. If the deputies tried to shoot rubber bullets, send the dog or anything, he would try and take one of the deputies out before he was taken out.

Deputy Munoz saw the suspect rise from his crouched position and stand. He saw the suspect pull out a gun from the waistband with his right hand and turn toward his direction. While turning, the suspect was raising his right arm with the gun. In fear for his life and the lives of his fellow deputies Deputy Munoz fired one round from his shotgun at the suspect. The suspect then crouched behind the wall and Deputy Munoz could no longer see the suspect. Deputy Munoz took cover and did not fire any more rounds. He replaced the one expended round with a new shotgun round and returned the gun to the shotgun rack. After the shooting, Deputy Munoz was taken back to the station. He had no further part in the incident.

Deputy Munoz said he was not focused on the dog and was paying attention to the suspect. The dog came in his view as the suspect was standing up with the gun. He described this as occurring simultaneously.

Deputy Munoz carries his department issued Beretta 92F. He carries his gun loaded with fifteen rounds in the magazine and one magazine in the chamber. He carries four extra magazines with fifteen rounds each. His gun and magazines were all fully loaded. Deputy Munoz also carries a five shot Smith and Wesson .38 caliber back up revolver. This gun was also loaded.

Deputy Munoz had his shotgun loaded with three .00 buckshot rounds and one rifle slug. The round Deputy Munoz fired was .00 buckshot. The shotgun was loaded with four rounds including one slug. He carries a sleeve with five .00 buckshot shells and four rifle slugs as back up. The order of rounds in the gun were two .00 shells, one slug, then one round of .00 buck.

On 08-25-03, Investigator Robison interviewed **Sergeant Jack Mayer** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant John Cleary from the internal Affairs Bureau. Sergeant Mayer is assigned to the Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) as a K-9 handler. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

He said at approximately 2030 hours his bureau received a request from Century Station requesting K-9 Handlers respond to 126th Street and Mona Avenue regarding a suspect wanted for murder (187 PC). The preliminary information received was that the suspect was

contained and uncooperative. Sergeant Mayer responded to the scene and arrived at approximately 2100 hours. He was briefed by Sergeant (Century Station). Sergeant told him the suspect said he had a gun and he had designated two deputies as shooters if needed. Based on the information provided by Sergeant Sergeant Sergeant Mayer indicated the dog could be deployed. Upon arriving at the scene, the suspect noticed the K-9 and said something to the effect of, go ahead and send the dog I have thirteen. Sergeant Mayer took this to mean the suspect had thirteen bullets in a gun.

Sergeant Mayer said that while at the scene he saw the suspect on the porch behind a small wall. He said the suspect said he had a gun and kept his left side concealed behind the wall. Based on the statements and actions of the suspect, Sergeant Mayer believed he was armed.

Sergeant Mayer contacted Lieutenant Maxwell (SEB) and briefed him about the circumstances of this event. He told Sergeant Mayer to deploy the dog and direct a bite. Sergeant Mayer then told Sergeant he was going to send the dog and direct a bite. Sergeant Mayer made the announcement to the suspect that the dog was going to be used. The suspect said he would shoot the dog. He had K-9 handler Deputy (240K95) with his dog "Marco" prepare for deployment. Sergeant Mayer said he saw the suspect begin to stand. He then ordered the dog deployed. The dog ran for the suspect and as the dog was in mid air, shots were fired and the dog was struck and went down as well as the suspect. He then called out cease fire. The dog was immediately taken to the hospital and Sergeant Arriaga requested paramedics for the suspect.

On 08-25-03, Investigator Robison interviewed **Deputy** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant John Cleary from Internal Affairs Bureau. Deputy was assigned to Century Station unit 217E EM Shift and was partnered with Deputy Ahmad. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

He said he and his partner responded to a back up request by Deputy and Zollo. They indicated they were detaining a man with a gun (417 suspect). They requested a unit with a stun bag gun and AR-15. Deputy said he and his partner were trained and authorized in both and responded. Upon arrival he armed himself with the departmentally issued I thaca 12 gauge shotgun and took a position of cover. He saw the suspect kneeling on the porch of the location. He was being ordered to put the gun down and surrender. He said the suspect was uncooperative and responded "fuck you," I'm already wanted for murder, I don't care I'm not going to jail for the rest of my life. I'm going to take one of you with me if you come close. He requested to talk to his mother and his father. Deputies on scene said they



were trying to locate those people. The suspect responded "fuck you," I'm not stupid I'm going to shoot it out, you are not taking me alive. The suspect repeatedly said he was going to take someone with him. He stayed crouched behind the wall and kept his right hand out of the view of the deputies. After K-9 handlers responded he said, "I got a fuckin gun and I'm gonna shoot it out." If I go to jail its for the rest of my life and I got nothing to lose." Deputies continued to order him to give up or they would send the dog. He said "fuck you" I'll shoot the dog and then I'll take one of you guys with me. He said I know I won't be able kill all of you but I'll take one of you guys with me. He said he knew he was going to die. Deputies told him they were trying to contact the people he wanted to talk to with. He did not believe them.

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The Dog was deployed and the suspect stood up and pointed his arm toward the deputies on the containment. The suspect was subsequently shot. Deputy said at the time the suspect stood up his view was partially blocked by an umbrella adjacent to the porch. He opted not to shoot. Deputy said that deputies tried for approximately twenty minutes to get the suspect to surrender. The K-9 handlers responded and continued to try to get the suspect to surrender for another ten minutes. After the shooting Deputy assisted K-9 handlers with transporting the dog to the hospital.

was wearing his class A uniform with badge and gun belt clearly displayed Deputy

On 08-25-03, Investigator Robison interviewed Deputy Michael Yokum at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant John Cleary from Internal Affairs Bureau. Deputy Yokum was assigned to Century Station unit 214E EM Shift and was partnered with Deputy Daily. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

He and his partner responded to an assistance request. The request indicated that other Century Station deputies were in pursuit or chasing a man with a gun. They responded to the 2400 block of 126th Street (Willowbrook). Upon arrival he armed himself with the taser (M-26) and his partner armed himself with the Arwen. They took a position of cover and saw the suspect on the porch of the location. He did not communicate with the suspect, however, he heard the suspect saying he was armed with a gun.

He was contacted by Sergeant who requested he respond to a location on El Segundo and find the suspect's girlfriend. He and Deputy Hoffman subsequently responded and determined the address given did not exist. He immediately returned to the scene and told Sergeant the address did not exist. He was then told by Deputy to check an address on 126th Street. He responded on foot to the location and contacted several people at the location and asked them if they knew where to find the second. No one knew her and he was unable to locate her. He then returned to the scene.

He took a position behind the door of a radio car. He heard the suspect say he had a gun with thirteen rounds. The suspect said, do not shoot me with a bean bag or send the dog. The suspect said if you do he was going to kill one of the deputies. The suspect was positioned on the porch and concealed his right hand from view the entire time.

Sergeant told him that he had designated shooters and he was not one of them. Deputy Yokum was communicating with the station desk on a tactical radio frequency. As he was doing this, he heard the dog barking and then shots being fired. He looked up and saw the suspect was down as well as the dog. He then communicated what had occurred to the station desk and requested paramedics.

Deputy Yokum was wearing his class A uniform with badge and gun belt clearly displayed.

On 08-25-03, Investigator Robison interviewed **Sergeant Richard Hiles** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant John Cleary from Internal Affairs Bureau. Sergeant Hiles was assigned to Century Station unit 214S EM Shift. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

On the day of this incident Sergeant Hiles was scheduled to start his shift at 2030 hours. He was at the station when he heard radio traffic regarding units detaining a man with a gun. It appeared to him the incident was going to take some time to resolve. He responded to the scene. Upon arrival at the scene he saw deputies behind cover and saw the K-9 deputies were on scene. He took a position of cover and after approximately two minutes he saw the suspect pull a dark object with his right hand from his waistband in a "cross draw motion," when he did this several shots were fired. He saw that the dog was simultaneously deployed and he saw the dog and the suspect go down at the time of the shooting.

Sergeant Hiles said it appeared to him the suspect's attention was on the deputies surrounding him. He was not there long enough to take notice of any communication between deputies and the suspect.



On 08-25-03, Investigator Robison interviewed **Sergeant Peter Cachero** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Sergeant John Cleary from Internal Affairs Bureau. Sergeant Cachero was assigned to Century Station unit 212S PM. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

He responded to the location after hearing radio traffic from Deputies and Zollo regarding the detention of a man with a gun who was uncooperative. He responded to the location. Upon his arrival he deployed the arwen to Deputy Daly he also took the taser to the scene. He look a position of cover behind a mini van parked at the scene. He noticed the suspect in a crouched position on the porch of the location. The suspect's hands were not visible from his vantage point. He began to communicate with the suspect. The suspect repeatedly said that he had a gun. Sergeant Cachero tried to convince him to drop his gun. The suspect refused to listen to the commands. In the interim deputies were sent to look for his friend, last name of the communication continued and deputies pled with the suspect to show his hands and drop his weapon.

Sergeant Cachero contacted Century Station via his cellular phone and spoke with the Watch Commander Lieutenant Gonzales and briefed him of the situation. He then requested that the Special Enforcement Bureau be notified as well as the hostage negotiator. He told the Watch Commander the arwin was deployed as well as two AR-15 Rifles. He then instructed Sergeant Barton to set up a command post at 124th Street and Mona Avenue. He also requested that Compton Station deputies respond to assist with the crowd that gathered around the scene and to close the street around the scene.

Sergeant Cachero then designated an arrest team. K-9 deputies' arrived with their dog and began communicating with suspect. All personnel communicating with the suspect pled with him to give up. The suspect was completely uncooperative. When the suspect saw the dog, he said if you use the dog on him he was going to kill the dog and then he would shoot deputies. The suspect specified the number of bullets in his gun, however, Sergeant did not recall the exact number communicated by the suspect.

Sergeant Cachero said the suspect threatened several times to shoot deputies if they shot him with rubber bullets or used the dog. Sergeant Cachero said he believed the suspect and based on his actions and statements he was in fear for his life and the safety of all personnel on scene.



The suspect communicated that he was wanted for murder and he was never going to see his child again. Sergeant Cachero contacted Sergeant Winkelpleck at Century Station and updated him as to what was occurring at the scene. As he completed his phone call, he heard the gunshots and looked up from his position of cover and saw the suspect and the dog were down. He then assisted in securing the scene and identifying the personnel who had shot and the weapons used.

On 08-25-03, Investigators Loman and Robison interviewed **Deputy Gilbert Jurado** at Century Sheriff's Station. Present at the interview was Elizabeth Gibbon from the Association Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs (ALADS). Deputy Jurado was assigned to Century Station unit 213F EM Shift and was partnered with Deputy Ruben Arrieta. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview;

Deputy Jurado responded to the scene after hearing an assistance request regarding a man with a gun at the 2400 block of 126th Street Willowbrook. The unit requesting assistance was 213H Deputy and Zollo. Deputy Jurado and his partner responded code three to the location. While responding he heard the deputies request for two stun bag guns and the arwen. Upon arrival in the area civilians directed them to the location where the suspect was detained.

Deputy Jurado took a position of cover behind a mini van parked at the location. He saw the suspect on the porch of the location behind a two to three-foot wall. Deputy Jurado instructed civilians west of the location to leave the area for their safety.

Deputy Jurado noticed the suspect had his right hand concealed in the waistband of his pants. Over the next thirty minutes he heard the suspect communicated that he was wanted for murder and had been on the run for two years and did not want to go back to jail. The suspect said he knew how the system worked. The suspect repeatedly said that he had a gun and if deputies came at him he would kill them. At one point a deputy on scene said that kids on the street had seen the suspect with a gun earlier in the day. The suspect said he had 13 rounds and made reference to gun tattoos on his arm. The suspect said he was good shot and he would take a deputy out with him. At one point the suspect stood-up removed his hand from his waistband. Deputy Jurado saw a black object in his right hand as he pointed it in the direction of deputies. Based on the statements of the suspect and civilians, Deputy Jurado feared for the safety of the deputies on scene and fired two rounds at the suspect from his departmentally issued Beretta 9mm. Deputy Jurado said in that split second the suspect turned toward him and he feared for his safety and fired one or two more rounds from his



Beretta 9mm. The suspect went down and he continued covering the suspect while K-9 deputies recovered the dog.

Deputy Jurado carries a L.A.County issued Beretta model 92F with fifteen rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber. Upon inspection of the weapon, it contained one round in the chamber and eleven in the magazine. Which counted for four rounds fired.

Deputy Jurado carried two extra magazines. All were full with fifteen bullets. He also carried a Smith and Wesson .380 caliber revolver five shot.

Deputy Jurado was wearing his class A uniform, with badge and gun belt clearly displayed.

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